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FEELING THE PINCH

Students, staff and faculty at the University of Saskatchewan rally in protest on Thursday against the school's TransformUS budget-cutting initiative. On Wednesday, U of S administration released an action plan for TransformUS, which will see jobs and programs cut with projections that the move will save $25.3 million as part of a larger effort to address an operating deficit of more than $44 million by 2016. For more on this story, see page 2. More photos at metronews.ca. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

More probable measles cases in unimmunized kids

Health. Province's top doctor encourages parents to get their children vaccinated

Health officials in Saskatchewan are urging parents to have their children vaccinated after word of three probable measles cases in unimmunized youngsters.

The Prairie North Health Region, which covers the cities of Lloydminster and North Battleford, is reporting the probable illnesses in addition to one confirmed case in an unimmunized child.

Chief medical health officer Dr. Saqib Shahab says Saskatchewan's current childhood vaccination rate is not high enough to prevent outbreaks.

"The biggest thing that can prevent outbreaks of measles is up-to-date immunizations in children," Shahab said at a news conference in Regina on Thursday.

Dr. Saqib Shahab METRO

He said parents need to ensure that their children have two doses of measles vaccine by age two.

Saskatchewan Health reports that 89 per cent of children have had their first measles vaccinations by the age of two, and that 75 per cent of children have had their second doses by that time.

"One dose gives 95 per cent protection and two doses gives 99 per cent protection," Shahab explained.

"So if there are children in a daycare and everyone just got one dose ... that daycare will still have an outbreak."

Children usually get the first vaccines when they're a year old, but Shahab said it can be given earlier if kids are travelling to Alberta where a measles outbreak has been declared.

"That is now possible that if you're (going) to Alberta, you can get an earlier dose ... if you have a child aged six to 12 months."

Saskatchewan has reported 12 confirmed and three probable cases of measles this year.

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Cop testifies to finding slain woman's body

Court. Dorothy Woods' husband David is on trial for first-degree murder

Saskatoon police discovered the body of a woman in a culvert just 15 minutes after searching an area where her husband's truck had driven a few days before.

David Woods is on trial charged with first-degree murder in the death of his wife, Dorothy.

On Jan. 2, 2012, police GPS tracked Woods' truck leaving Saskatoon on Highway 11, heading south and exiting onto a dirt road before heading back onto Highway 11 and turning around somewhere south of Blackstrap Lake and north of Hanley.

Sgt. David Hudson, the lead investigator in the case, testified Thursday that the route Woods' truck took around 4 p.m. struck him as strange.

So he said police decided to search the Blackstrap Lake Valley area two days later on Jan. 4. Fifteen minutes into the search, they found a body in a culvert.

Hudson said the body was face down, wrapped in polyurethane wrap and encased in ice, which had to be melted in order to remove the corpse from the culvert.

Pictures show green electrical tape and white nylon rope had been used to secure the plastic wrap around the body. Hudson testified the only way he knew the body was that of a woman because a painted toenail was visible.

Police then took the body to the hospital so that an autopsy could be performed. Hudson said he was instructed to ensure the body was lying face up to preserve any possible evidence of strangulation after a rope was observed inside plastic wrapping, he said.

"(It was) highly unusual at that time of year, at that time of day," Hudson told the court about why Woods's route stuck out for him. CKOM/ THE CANADIAN PRESS

Lottery home is Holmes-approved

Celebrity contractor Mike Holmes, left, can be with Kinsmen Riverfront Home Lottery chair Arthur Cradock outside the lottery show home on Thursday morning. Holmes was in Saskatoon to do a final inspection of the home and he gave the 3,200 sq. ft. residence his stamp of approval. Organizers hope his backing will result in a boost in ticket sales for the lottery, which supports a number of community programs in the city. Full story at metronews.ca. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

NDP sounds alarm on University of Saskatchewan overhaul

The Opposition NDP is raising concerns in the legislature about an overhaul of the University of Saskatchewan, but the government says everything is under control.

The Saskatoon-based university has released a plan that includes cutting jobs, reorganizing the administration and dissolving some programs to try to save about $25 million.

NDP Leader Cam Broten says students are on edge over program cuts and the government is dismissing concerns from faculty.

Broten notes that the plan calls for the School of Public Health to be rolled into the College of Medicine, which he says could jeopardize the college's recently earned international accreditation.

Advanced Education Minister Rob Norris says concerns from students, staff and faculty are not being overlooked.

Norris says the restructuring is an internal university matter that will make the school better and not jeopardize any accreditation.

The plan is part of a bigger response by the University of Saskatchewan to address a projected $44.5-million deficit in its operating budget by 2016.

It was developed by the provost's committee and includes proposals to cut three dean positions and dissolve the Centre for Continuing and Distance Education, as well as the Education and Media Access and Production unit, by the end of the year.

It also warns that almost every level of the university and virtually every employee will be affected by a new organizational design.

The provost's committee says due to the magnitude of the changes being contemplated, the journey will be "arduous." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Art to what end? Locals ponder age-old question

A Saskatoon resident used a tarp last week to cover a piece of public art he deemed unsightly. The piece by Keeley Haftner features two stacked bundles of recycling wrapped in plastic and has now been removed from its location at 33rd Street and Avenue C. Since the city funded the $4,000 project through its Placemaker Program, Metro asked people whether they think taxpayer dollars should go to works that beautify or works that challenge the community.

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Mark Stauffer

42, government employee, Saskatoon

When you're putting dollars behind something, you want to make sure that you're getting value for your money. The value ... comes both in that you're challenging someone and beautifying the neighbourhood.

Kristin Painter

26, graduate student, Saskatoon

What Keeley Haftner did ... was accomplished because it got everybody talking about it. Maybe it made more of a fuss than she expected, but I think that is a good thing. So there should be a mix of that plus the attractive pieces we see around.

Gabi Wolosik

31, graphic designer and web developer, Toronto/Saskatoon

Looking nice is so opinion-based. There's a giant statue of a spider with eggs in its belly in Ottawa that people think is hideous and I think is gorgeous.... You'll never find any piece that will make everyone happy.

Regan Espeseth

31, commodity broker, Saskatoon

It's kind of a catch-22 where you don't want a piece of junk sitting there, but at the same time you don't want to suppress opinions. It's got to be somewhere in between.

Nathaniel Teed

24, bank teller, Saskatoon

That is what public art is for, to make the city beautiful. But I also think artists are doing something different. They are trying to express themselves. So I am down for both.

Bradley Redman

42, property manager, Saskatoon

I don't think art out in the public needs to inspire people or challenge people to think differently. I think it needs to be an aesthetic thing.

Health workers overwhelmingly support strike

Health workers in Saskatchewan have voted 85 per cent in favour of a strike after negotiations involving a provincial mediator failed to get them a new contract.

The Health Sciences Association of Saskatchewan represents 30 groups of workers, including paramedics, hospital pharmacists and occupational therapists.

President Karen Wasylenko says staffing levels are the biggest concern for her members.

Wasylenko insists that job action would be a last resort for the association's 3,600 members.

"We see wait lists that are increasing, we see emergency care services that are becoming unsafe because of staffing," Wasylenko said.

"They want to send a message to the employer that they expect serious bargaining and they want an agreement."

The association has given no formal notice of a strike.

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Reasoning

"We see wait lists that are increasing, we see emergency-care services that are becoming unsafe because of staffing."

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Anti-government demonstrators take cover behind their shields while storming the local prosecutor's building after a pro-Russia demonstration during International Worker's Day in Donetsk, Ukraine, on Thursday. The clash came after a march by several hundred people carrying flags of the Donetsk People's Republic, a movement that seeks either greater autonomy from the central government, or independence and possible annexation by Russia. MANU BRABO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Putin to Ukraine: Retreat from East

Ukraine crisis. Ukrainian president renews draft amid 'threats of encroachment'

Russian President Vladimir Putin said Thursday that Ukraine should withdraw its military units from the eastern and southern regions of the country, where anti-government insurgents are seizing buildings, but hours later, Ukraine's acting president ordered the military draft be renewed as the unrest intensifies.

Although Ukraine last year announced plans to end military conscription and transfer to an all-volunteer force, Oleksandr Turchynov said in his order that the draft must be renewed in light of "threats of encroachment on Ukraine's territorial integrity and interference by Russia in the internal affairs of Ukraine."

Moscow has consistently denounced Ukrainian security forces' largely ineffectual "anti-terrorist" operation against the eastern insurgents and warned they shouldn't commit violence against civilians. In a telephone conversation with German Chancellor Angela Merkel, Putin said the removal of military units from the south and east was the "main thing."

Turchynov's order didn't specify where conscript-bolstered forces could be deployed. Earlier in the week, he said police and security forces had been effectively "helpless" against insurgents in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, and that efforts should be focused on preventing its spread to other parts of the country.

In the regional capital city of Donetsk, anti-government demonstrators took over the regional prosecutor's office Thursday. Donetsk is the heartland of support for Russia-friendly former President Viktor Yanukovych.

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Infrastructure lacking

Canada can't help Ukraine as energy supplier

Canada has little hope of reaping any kind of energy or resource windfall from the crisis in Ukraine.

That message was delivered Thursday to a House of Commons committee in testimony by energy experts from Alberta, Europe, and Ukraine. The committee is hearing evidence on whether there are opportunities for Canada to export oil and gas to Europe and help wean Ukraine off its dependence on Russian energy.

The natural resources committee was told that Canada is the better part of a decade away from having the pipelines and other infrastructure necessary to be a meaningful energy supplier to Europe.

Russia supplies most of Ukraine's natural gas, giving it an economic lever over the Ukrainian military — one it is currently exercising.

Russia annexed the Crimean Peninsula last month while pro-Russian gunmen are taking over cities in the country's eastern region.

The testimony offered a sobering counterpoint to the Harper government's public enthusiasm about increased Canadian energy exports to Europe.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel appeared unenthusiastic about that prospect when she hosted Prime Minister Stephen Harper in March. THE CANADIAN PRESS

U.S. Colleges. 55 schools facing sexual assault complaint investigations

Fifty-five colleges and universities — big and small, public and private — are being investigated over their handling of sexual abuse complaints, the U.S. Education Department revealed Thursday.

The department's release of the list is unprecedented and comes as the Obama administration seeks to shed greater light on the issue of sexual assault in higher education and how it is being handled.

Going forward, the department said, it will keep an updated list of schools facing such investigations and make it available upon request.

The schools range from big public universities including Ohio State University, the University of California, Berkeley, and Arizona State University to private schools including Knox College in Illinois, Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania and Catholic University of America in the District of Columbia. Ivy League schools including Harvard, Princeton and Dartmouth are also on the list.

The agency previously would confirm such Title IX investigations when asked, but students and others were often unaware of them.

Catherine E. Lhamon, the assistant secretary of education for civil rights, said in a statement that a school's presence on the list does not mean that it has violated the law but that an investigation of complaints is underway.

Education Secretary Arne Duncan said there had been "lots of internal debate" about whether to release the list, but that he believes in transparency. Duncan said there is "absolutely zero presumption" of guilt in his mind for schools being investigated.

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The list

About half of all states had schools under investigation.

- **Massachusetts led with six schools on the list.** They included Amherst College, Boston University, Emerson College, Harvard College, Harvard University Law School and the University of Massachusetts-Amherst.
- **Pennsylvania had five schools listed.**
- **California, Colorado and New York each had four.**

Cambodia

Canadian filmmaker found dead at temples

The family of Dave Walker, a Canadian filmmaker who went missing in Cambodia in February, says he was found dead on Thursday.

A statement issued on behalf of Walker's family says his body was reportedly discovered by a child at the Angkor Wat temples in Siem Reap, Cambodia.

Cambodian law enforcement officials told the family it appeared Walker had died several weeks ago.

The statement says a doctor at the site was unable to determine a cause of death and an autopsy will be held to try to determine how and when Walker died.

Forensic officer Pheng Pich says authorities are waiting on DNA tests before an official confirmation of the body's identity can be made, but he says there are no initial signs of foul play.

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Afghanistan

Taliban suicide car bomber kills at least 13

A suicide car bomber detonated his explosives at a busy checkpoint in central Afghanistan, killing at least 13 people Thursday, an official said. The Taliban quickly claimed responsibility for the attack.

The attack on the entry checkpoint into Panjshir province killed five police officers and one intelligence officer assigned to the post, provincial police chief Aziz Ghyrat said.

Seven civilian construction workers were also killed in the blast, which Gyrat said happened in the late afternoon as cars were lined up to be searched before entering the province on a narrow mountain road.

Several other civilians in other vehicles were wounded in the blast, Gyrat said.

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Sparks fly over Tories' electoral reform bill

Fair Elections Act.
Proposed changes to law will cause hundreds of thousands to lose right to vote, critics charge

Among the bill's provisions

- Voters who come to polls without documents can't use voter information cards as fall-back ID.
- New limitations are proposed on citizens vouching for the identity of others.

The Conservative bill to tighten up election laws is in the final stages of review at a House of Commons committee, and things are getting ugly.

After long hours of scrutiny of the Fair Elections Act's many clauses, only two technical amendments by the opposition had been approved by Thursday afternoon.

New Democrat MP David Christopherson's frustration boiled over when the committee rejected a proposal to ensure voter information cards are marked prominently to indicate they are not considered valid ID.

The proposed Act has eliminated the cards as a fall-back ID for voters who discover they don't have the right documents when they show up to vote.

"We know, and Canadians know, that this is all about trying to get the fix in for the Conservatives in every way they can, and that voter suppression is alive and well in the government of Canada," said Christopherson.

The Conservatives countered that the chief electoral officer already has authority over the markings on voter identification cards, and the NDP amendment was not needed.

The opposition has argued that hundreds of thousands of voters, including First Nations, the homeless and students, will be disenfranchised by eliminating the use of the voter cards, as well as by new limitations on citizens vouching for the identity of others. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Toronto mayoral candidate Karen Stintz calls Rob Ford's remarks "gross." Scan the photo below with your Metro News app to see a video of her and fellow candidate Olivia Chow's response.

Ford silent as he heads to rehab

'He's a broken man.' But mayor will apparently remain in the running for October's election

Mayor Rob Ford left home Thursday, hours after announcing plans to take leave to deal with his substance-abuse problems amid a triple dose of scandalizing revelations that have raised further questions about his fitness for office.

Confronted with reports of a recent video showing him allegedly smoking crack cocaine, an audio recording of the mayor spewing profanities and making lewd comments about a fellow mayoral contender, and witness accounts of him snorting cocaine at a city nightclub, Ford said he would be seeking "immediate help."

"He's a broken man. He's got a lot of demons," Ford's lawyer Dennis Morris told The Canadian Press. "He realizes that he's not well and in need of help. He's just running off the rails. That's something he now appreciates."

Ford did not speak to reporters in front of his home as he left in a two-car convoy Thursday morning.

A private plane flew him to Chicago, Global TV reported, while CBC cited his brother as saying Ford would be spending 30 days at an unspecified addictions facility.

At a news conference Thursday, an emotional Doug Ford said facing your problems and deciding to seek help is not easy. "I told Rob that everyone knows someone who has faced these challenges and I know they will wish him well and a speedy recovery," he said.

The scandal-plagued mayor's latest woes began late Wednesday, with a trio of damaging newspaper reports.

The Globe and Mail said a drug dealer had shown two of its reporters video of Ford allegedly smoking what was said to be crack in the basement of his sister's home early Saturday morning.

Then, in an audio recording from a bar obtained by the Toronto Sun, Ford is heard making anti-gay remarks, using an offensive ethnic slur, and saying he would like to "jam" rival candidate Karen Stintz.

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford is shown with what appears to be a pipe in an image taken from the Gawker.com website. GAWKER.COM

In a third report, the Toronto Star published details of "two nights of utter debauchery" involving Ford at a Toronto nightclub a few weeks ago.

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Mayoral candidate Karen Stintz reads from a prepared statement regarding the latest Rob Ford allegations at city hall in Toronto on Thursday.

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Down, but not out

- Despite his announced leave from both the mayor's office and his re-election campaign, Ford will apparently remain in the running for October's municipal vote.
- Deputy Mayor Norm Kelly, who has been doing most of Ford's job since council stripped him of most of his mayoral duties last year, has been left firmly in charge.

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Toronto Mayor Rob Ford leaves his home early Thursday. After maintaining for months that he is not an addict or an alcoholic, Ford announced Wednesday he is seeking help for substance abuse as media reports emerged with new drug and alcohol allegations. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ford seeks help

The world reacts

When Toronto's confessed crack-smoking mayor announced Wednesday night that he was taking a break from his re-election campaign to seek "immediate" professional help for his issues, the rest of the world took notice.

International media were almost as quick to report the latest revelations in the Rob Ford scandal as hometown news outlets, with a media report of another video allegedly showing the mayor smoking crack snagging top headlines.

Social media was also instantly abuzz after two Toronto newspapers printed fresh allegations concerning the controversial mayor.

Rather than issuing an outright denial, as he has done in similar situations, Ford issued a statement through his lawyer saying he planned to take a 30-day leave to address his problems.

The mayor has been a fixture of foreign media coverage since his admission, last November, that he had smoked crack cocaine in the past.

His much-hyped appearance on Jimmy Kimmel's late-night talk show only increased his international profile.

Kimmel, who razzed the mayor and his previous "drunken stupors" before a late-night audience in February, seemed to recognize that the latest allegations were no laughing matter.

"All jokes aside, I hope @TOMayorFord really does get the help he obviously needs," Kimmel wrote on Twitter.

The mayor, a vocal critic of much Canadian news coverage, has often praised foreign media for adopting what he described as a less combative tone.

Wednesday's headlines, however, lacked the gentle touch.

"Toronto 'Crack Mayor' Rob Ford — Going to Rehab After Latest Drunken Rant," read the TMZ banner.

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"The reality is that you can take the best people in the world and — after a long period of time — things will start to slowly break down because people are unhappy with the environment..."

Robotics engineer Simon Engler

Calgarian Simon Engler is pictured in Hawaii during a 2013 NASA-funded Mars simulation. Researchers used the spaceflight dress rehearsal to study physical and culinary challenges. Engler is now helping out with a similar follow-up exercise. COURTESY OF DR. SIAN PROCTOR

Bringing Mars down to Earth

Simulation. Former U of C PhD student chosen as one of the guinea pigs to test problems with inter-planetary exploration ... in Hawaii

BRYAN WEISMILLER
Metro in Calgary

Robotics engineer Simon Engler has survived the rigors of a Mars mission without ever setting his space boots down on the Red Planet.

As part of a NASA-funded simulation, Engler hunkered down inside a two-storey dome on the northern slope of the Mauna Loa volcano. There, he and his fellow guinea pigs encountered "red-flag problems" related to inter-planetary exploration.

The HI-SEAS crew battled bouts of separation anxiety, yucky pre-packaged diets and stinky feet during the four-month social experiment staged on a barren lava field. It explored the emotional strain of being isolated for months or years at a time, with others.

"It's not a normal environment for a human to live in for a long period of time," Engler told Metro. "The reality is that you can take the best people in the world and — after a long period of time — things will start to slowly break down because people are unhappy with the environment.

"NASA really needs to know how to mitigate it before they actually take this mission."

Life on Hawaii's Big Island may sound like reality TV. But don't tell that to Engler, who sloughs off the much-publicized Mars One project for its "questionable financial responsibilities."

Engler, who at the time was a PhD student at the University of Calgary, says he pitched a robotic companion project as part of the application process for HI-SEAS, and was chosen from a pool of 700 applicants.

He describes his colleagues as brainy, "astronaut-like" folks who specialize in fields such as nanotechnology, geology and physics. They were a mixed bag of Type-A and Type–B personalities, which was supposedly the right mix during the dress rehearsal.

"If you have a balance between personality types then things will work out in the long run," said Engler, who is now helping out with Round 2 of the Mars simulation.

People problems aside, human settlers will also need to contend with supremely harsh environmental conditions on the freeze-dried planet. Hyper-arid soil, wicked dust storms and seasonal geysers provide formidable challenges.

The average temperature hangs around -53 C, although lows can be twice as chilly, according to the Canadian Space Agency. And spacesuits are needed to prevent the astronauts' skin and lungs from exploding due to low air pressure.

Finding water remains another massive hurdle for many researchers, as it's deemed a key indicator to whether the planet is hospitable to life.

"You're unlikely to find flowing water on the surface unless it was salt-rich. But even then it would be incredibly rare," said Chris Hugenholtz from the U of C. "That water's going to have to come from underground."

He noted there's plenty of evidence of "water-ice", or water in the form of ice, in the polar caps. But thirsty space explorers will also have to keep an eye out for spectacular geysers, which stem from a build-up of carbon dioxide gas below the south polar ice sheet. The jet-like eruptions are known to spew sand and dust hundreds of feet into the air.

Dust devils are known to blanket the entire planet over days, which Hugenholtz noted could impede space crews' solar-powered gear.

"There are some bizarre things occurring on the surface that they're going to have to deal with if they're in those more polar regions of Mars looking for water," he said.

Located at about 8,000 feet elevation, the Mars-like HI-SEAS habitat was free of cultural norms, endangered species and lush greenery. It featured a two-storey dome, enclosing a volume of 13,570 cubic feet. COURTESY OF DR. SIAN PROCTOR

Earth to Ma

Veronica Ann Zabala-Aliberto, right, from Arizona State University and Hugh Gregory, of Hanksville, Utah. The research station based in the Utah desert is sponsored by the groups a year that man the station for one to two weeks at a time. GETTY IMAGES

Mission to Mars: Day 3

• **Online:** Go to metronews.ca for a photo gallery of the 2013 NASA-funded Mars simulation

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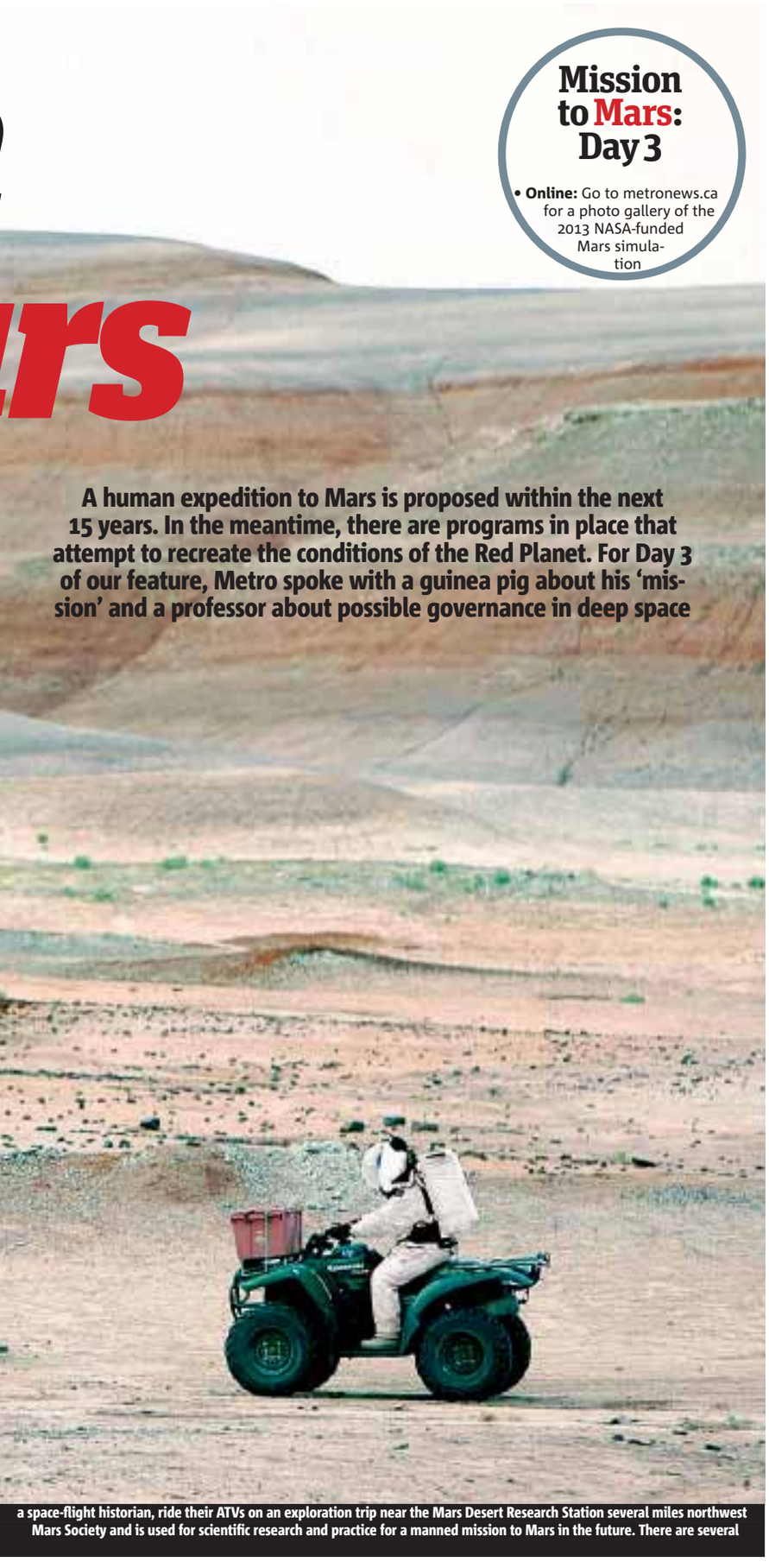
A human expedition to Mars is proposed within the next 15 years. In the meantime, there are programs in place that attempt to recreate the conditions of the Red Planet. For Day 3 of our feature, Metro spoke with a guinea pig about his 'mission' and a professor about possible governance in deep space



a space-flight historian, ride their ATVs on an exploration trip near the Mars Desert Research Station several miles northwest Mars Society and is used for scientific research and practice for a manned mission to Mars in the future. There are several

LIVING UNDER MARTIAN LAW

Move over, Martians — humans are coming to town. But how would early space crusaders organize after putting footprints on the Red Planet? Paul Fairie, who teaches municipal governance at the University of Calgary, was nice enough to play along and offer some realpolitik answers to hypothetical questions:

METRO: Do the first Mars occupiers need to establish a local government? What have we learned from Lord of the Flies?

PF: If the first settlers were all initially astronauts and therefore mostly from a military background, there probably wouldn't be a need for local government right away, since they'd have a chain of command in place already. However, once a generation or two had passed and the population was no longer primarily military, I'd expect that they'd want to establish a local government to take care of basic local needs that couldn't just be completely dictated from Earth, like the fair distribution of resources and making sure society is functional. Otherwise, the colony would run the risk of being completely dictatorial, with us Earth-bound humans dictating laws to second- and third-generation Martians.

METRO: What's the best type of governing structure for this situation? Plutocracy?

PF: I imagine something of a two-stage process. First, a proper non-democracy where military ranks dictated who had power. This would work well with a small group of military-trained astronauts. After a while, we'd probably see the need for a local government for self-regulatory matters. At this point, we'd probably have a democracy — luckily the settlers would have the benefit of hindsight. What would be really exciting here is that the form the government could take would be quite unpredictable, because they would have the rare opportunity to make a completely new government.

HI-SEAS crew engineer Simon Engler used the Husky robot while testing machine operation in bulky spacesuits. He also explored how robotic companions ease loneliness. COURTESY OF DR. YAJAIRA SIERRA-SASTRE

METRO: How should Mars residents be taxed? Would an Alberta-style flat tax be an alien concept?

PF: Taxation would be a tricky one for a while since most of the resources will have to be brought in from Earth. If they were using an Earthling currency, would they be buying products and services from each other? Would they create their own currency? If so, how would they decide the initial allotment of funds? At least until the colony was big enough, I'd have to imagine a bartering economy would spring up for basic goods and services ("I'll trade you a hair cut for some Martian key lime pie."), and perhaps a social obligation to contribute some labour to the settlement might spring up before a currency economy would.

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METRO IN CALGARY

Prisons

Project aimed at female inmates

In a response to the 2007 prison death of troubled teen Ashley Smith, who choked to death in her cell while guards looked on, the federal government is starting a pilot project to help female prisoners with serious mental health needs.

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Environment

Fracking called cause for concern

Environmental groups say they feel vindicated following a report from the Council of Canadian Academies by top scientists that says concerns about natural gas fracking are real and its environmental impacts are not clearly understood.

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Colombia

3 dead in gold mine collapse

Colombian rescuers on Thursday hunted for more than a dozen people feared trapped beneath debris left by in the collapse of an illegal gold mine about 315 kilometres southwest of Bogota that killed at least three people, officials said.

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Florida

Gas explosion levels jail, kills 2

An apparent gas explosion late Wednesday all but destroyed a jail in Pensacola in the Florida Panhandle. The blast killed two inmates, leaving three others missing and injuring as many as 150 people inside the building, authorities said.

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In pictures

1 Paris.

Tens of thousands of workers, including union activists in Paris, marked May Day in Europe with a mix of anger and gloom over austerity measures imposed by leaders trying to contain the Eurozone's debt crisis.

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2 Havana.

LGBT community members march with rainbow flags as Cuba marks May Day with massive marches.

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3 Istanbul.

A protester hides behind a shield as police use water cannons and tear gas to disperse thousands trying to reach Taksim Square.

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4 Lisbon.

People wave red carnations and the Portuguese flag and sing a protest song at a May Day rally.

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Shootings test U.S. 'stand your ground' laws

Intruders lured into fatal encounters. Two recent cases involve people who said they were afraid of homes being burgled again

A Montana man is accused of setting a trap and blasting a shotgun into his garage, killing a 17-year-old German exchange student. A Minnesota man is convicted of lying in wait in his basement for two teenagers and killing them during a break-in.

The two recent cases have intensified the debate about America's so-called "stand your ground" laws: Do laws that allow private citizens to protect their property also let them set a trap and wait for someone to kill?

What the laws say

- Montana's law says a person is justified in using deadly force to prevent an assault or a forcible felony.
- Minnesota law allows the use of deadly force in a home to prevent a felony, but it must be considered a reasonable response.

In Montana, Markus Kaarma told investigators his home had been burgled twice before Sunday's shooting death of Diren Dede. The night of the shooting, Kaarma and his partner, Janelle Pflager, left their garage door open and Pflager left her purse in the garage, prosecutors said.

When they heard sounds, Kaarma said he took his shotgun and without speaking fired four times. Dede was hit in the head and the arm.

In Minnesota, Byron Smith, a 65-year-old retiree, was convicted of premeditated murder Tuesday in the shooting of Nick Brady, 17, and Haile Kifer, 18, after the cousins broke into his home in 2012. Smith's attorney said burglars had previously hit his client's home, and he was afraid.

Prosecutors said Smith moved his truck to make it look as though no one was home, and waited in the basement with food, water and two guns.

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Outrage over kidnapped Nigerian schoolgirls grows

A police officer stands guard Thursday as outraged Nigerians took to the streets in Lagos for another day to demand that their government do more to rescue more than 200 schoolgirls kidnapped two weeks ago by Islamic extremists from the government Chibok Girls Secondary School. The girls are between 16 and 18 years old and had been called to the school to write a physics exam. SUNDAY ALAMBA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

1,000 cases? Tories refuse to budge on inquiry over missing aboriginal women

The Conservative government is resisting renewed calls for an inquiry into murdered and missing aboriginal women and girls despite a media report that suggests there may be hundreds more cases than previously thought.

Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney was asked Thursday to finally call a inquiry in light of a report by the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network that Canada may be home to more than 1,000 cases of murdered and missing women.

His answer, in short: no.

Instead, Blaney launched a partisan broadside against the NDP's refusal to support the government's budget bill, which includes a five-year, $25-million renewal of money aimed at stopping violence against aboriginal women and girls.

RCMP review of files

327

Briefing notes obtained by The Canadian Press under the Access to Information Act show the RCMP has reviewed 327 homicide files and 90 missing-persons cases involving aboriginal females.

APTN, citing an anonymous source, reported that the RCMP have identified more than 1,000 cases after contacting more than 200 other police forces across the country. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Scan the photo below with your Metro News app to see a heart-wrenching cellphone video of one teen's last moments aboard the sinking South Korea ferry

Flight 370. New report on missing aircraft

Air traffic controllers did not realize that Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 was missing until 17 minutes after it disappeared from civilian radar, according to a preliminary report on the plane's disappearance released Thursday by Malaysia's government.

The plane went off Malaysian radar at 1:21 a.m. on March 8, and Vietnamese air traffic controllers began contacting Kuala Lumpur at 1:38 a.m. after they failed to establish verbal contact with the pilots and the plane didn't show up on their radar, according to the five-page report, which was dated April 9 and sent last month to the International Civil Aviation Organization.

The documents show that Malaysian authorities did not launch an official search and rescue operation until four hours later, at 5:30 a.m., after efforts to locate the plane failed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Video released by ferry victim's family shows last moments

Doomed journey. Video recovered from one of the nearly 220 declared dead; many still missing

Quoted

"We're all finished. I have to leave some farewell words before I die." An anonymous student aboard the sinking ferry Sewol.

One of many farewells caught on video taken from the recovered cellphone of 17-year-old Park Su-hyeon.

Soon after the ferry began to tilt, there was nervous laughter, jokes about the Titanic and talk of selfies and Facebook posts from the doomed high school students huddled below deck.

But the lighthearted atmosphere soon turned serious as the listing worsened. Fear began building, and one student asked, "Am I really going to die?"

The shaky video — at times poignant and heartbreaking as the teens said last words to their loved ones — was found on the cellphone belonging to 17-year-old Park Su-hyeon when his body was recovered after the disaster on the morning of April 16 off South Korea.

The boy's father, Park Jong-dae, provided it Thursday to The Associated Press, saying he wanted to show the world the conditions aboard the Sewol as it sank. He earlier released it to select South Korean media.

About 220 bodies, mostly from inside the submerged vessel, have been recovered. More than 80 per cent of the victims were students from a high school in Ansan, south of Seoul, on their way to the tourist island of Jeju for a school trip.

The group of teens in Park Su-hyeon's video alternated between bluster, attempts at humour and unmistakable fear.

Only one could be seen wearing a life jacket at the beginning of the clips, which started at 8:52 a.m. and ended, with a small break between them, at 9:09 a.m., when everyone appeared to be wearing them.

Some of the students struggled as they tried to buckle the life jackets. As the listing worsened, they joked about "final commemorative pictures" and "defying gravity" by trying to walk on the walls.

"It's like we're becoming the Titanic," one student said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A photo taken from the mobile phone of deceased South Korean high school student Park Su-hyeon taken aboard the sinking ferry Sewol. COURTESY OF THE PARK FAMILY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Activists arrested after oil dispute with tanker

Dutch police say they detained 31 Greenpeace activists who attempted to prevent a Russian tanker carrying the first oil produced by a new offshore platform in the Arctic Ocean from mooring at Rotterdam Port on Thursday.

The environmental group sent two ships, plus a fleet of rubber rafts, paragliders and activists on shore, to meet the Mikhail Ulyanov, a tanker chartered by Russia's state-controlled oil company, Gazprom OAO.

Activists painted the words "No Arctic Oil" in white letters on the hull of the Russian tanker. After several hours, the Ulyanov was able to dock safely.

Greenpeace opposes oil production inside the Arctic Circle, warning of the danger of a spill in a pristine and difficult-to-reach area — as well as the threat of worsening global warming caused by using fossil fuels.

Rotterdam police spokesman Roland Ekkers said Peter Willcox, the captain of the Rainbow Warrior, had disobeyed police orders to move his ship. Ultimately police arrested Willcox and towed the vessel to a different part of the port. A further 30 activists were detained for trespassing or blocking the Ulyanov's mooring place on rubber rafts.

Willcox was one of a group of 28 activists and two journalists arrested by Russian authorities last year and charged with piracy after a protest near Gazprom's Prirazlomnaya offshore Arctic platform. They spent months in a Russian prison before being released shortly before the Winter Olympics in Sochi earlier this year.

"The fight to stop Arctic oil drilling is one of the defining battles of our time," said Greenpeace International Executive Director Kumi Naidoo. "We will not be intimidated, and we will win."

Stanislav Chichin, the captain of the Ulyanov, said the Greenpeace action violated "fundamental principles of international conventions for safety at sea as well as environmental safety." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Greenpeace activists attempt to stop a Russian tanker carrying Arctic oil from mooring in Rotterdam port. RUBEN NEUGEBAUER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Flashlights handed out at Marlboro promo recalled

About 365,000 multiuse flashlights distributed during a cigarette promotion are being recalled due to a fire hazard that can occur when matches inside the device ignite.

The company that makes Marlboro cigarettes said Thursday it has received 11 reports of matches igniting inside the flashlight and two reports of explosions. One person reported minor burns and another received treatment for injuries to the hand, the company said.

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New device

Treat sleep apnea with a zap, or two, while you sleep

Sleep-deprived Americans have a new option to address hard-to-treat nighttime breathing problems: a first-of-kind device that keeps airways open by zapping them with an electrical current.

The Food and Drug Administration approved the pacemaker-like device from Inspire Medical Systems for sleep-apnea patients who have trouble with the current standard of care: machines that blow air through a bedtime mask.

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Sure, I'll move ... for a 20% raise

Oh, plus ... all moving expenses and a $100,000 non-taxable, interest-free loan

A new survey suggests fewer than half of Canadians are willing to move for employment opportunities — a finding that could shed light on why companies may instead be turning to temporary foreign workers.

The survey, conducted by Ipsos Reid for the Canadian Employee Relocation Council, asked more than 2,000 Canadians whether they'd move either within their provinces or to other parts of the country for a job.

Only 10 per cent of respondents indicated an eagerness to move, while a third said they could be persuaded for the right job and the right incentives.

The top incentive selected by those respondents who said they would consider a move to another part of the country is a 20 per cent raise in pay, plus all moving expenses being covered by the employer.

More than half of respondents also said governments could play a role in enticing them to move by permitting employers to provide a tax-free housing allowance for up to six months to allow them to settle in to a new location.

Almost half said employers should also be allowed to provide non-taxable, interest-free loans of up to $100,000 for the purchase of a home in the new location.

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Staying put

According to a 2013 report from Statistics Canada and Haver Analytics, the percentage of the Canadian population moving between provinces has been in steady decline since 1977, when 1.5 per cent of the population was mobile, to less than one on per cent in 2012.

Is this a Loblaws or a Shoppers? Soon it may be hard to tell

A pedestrian walks past the Loblaws grocery store and Joe Fresh outlet located in the former Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto on Thursday. The head of Canada's largest grocer wants you to imagine picking up a hot sandwich, a bunch of bananas and a pair of Joe Fresh earrings while you wait for a prescription at Shoppers Drug Mart. Galen G. Weston, chairman of Loblaw Companies Ltd., the new owner of the pharmacy chain, says all these possibilities could soon be a reality. Loblaw closed its $12.4-billion purchase of Shoppers stores in March. DARREN CALABRESE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cash. Don't be so robophobic, robots are great advisors

The future is here, and it includes robots managing your money.

Or, to be precise, robo-advisors: Programs that use an algorithm to help you determine what investments are best for you.

The thought of putting a computer in charge of your financial decisions may make some uneasy, but if you do your banking online, as well as buy groceries and set up dates, why not also receive financial advice over the Internet?

That appears to be the thinking behind a field garnering a lot of interest in the U.S.

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Pot. Don't be so paranoid, it's legal in Colorado now

Colorado is trying again to set up the world's first financial system for marijuana in an attempt to move the pot industry away from its cash-only roots.

A bill up for its first hearing Thursday is prompted by frustration with recent marijuana banking guidance from the Treasury Department. Banks and the pot industry say the guidance is inadequate because it gives financial institutions no confidence that they can serve the marijuana industry without running afoul of federal law.

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THE METRO LIST

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1 Racism gets a smackdown. Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson called it "a defining moment in history" and Al Sharpton "a bold and historic move." Just months into his new role as NBA commissioner, Adam Silver cemented his legacy by banning LA Clippers owner Donald Sterling from the league after his racist remarks.

2 Selfie with Jim Carrey. When the A-list actor landed at Peterborough Airport Friday, he showed his down-to-earth side, posing in pictures on the tarmac with a bunch of high school students and in a selfie tweeted by student Zach Premate. The only thing that would have made it more epic is if Jerry Seinfeld was in the pic, too — he was in Peterborough a day later at the same airport.

3 Runaway blimp. It was the talk of the town this week as a two-storey, 21-metre-long Budweiser blimp in the shape of a hockey goal light broke loose from its tether in Saint John, N.B. Yep, this must have been a tricky one for Transport Canada, who was in hot (air?) pursuit. The blimp eventually landed in the woods northeast of the city, no doubt feeling a bit deflated.

4 Let's go Raptors. Coming off their first road playoff victory in 13 years in Brooklyn, the Raptors took care of business at home in a nail-biter Wednesday night, and now can close things out in Game 6 Friday in Brooklyn. Everything is on the line for an amazing, courageous team having a Cinderella season.

5 Stop making sense. Parks Canada announced plans to install Wi-Fi hotspots in up to 50 parks this year. So next time you're enjoying some solitude in the woods, you can stop and tell the world on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and Snapchat.

6 National Canadian Film Day. REEL Canada had a novel idea: to do a National Canadian Film Day to draw attention to all the amazing films being made in this country. So Wednesday, people took to social media to talk about homegrown cinematic gems using the hashtag #CANFILMDAY. Beautiful thing. My fave two: Meatballs and The Sweet Hereafter.

7 Another one bites the Cyber Dust. Hailed as the Snapchat of words, the Cyber Dust app allows you to send a message to someone that will disappear forever 30 seconds after being opened by the recipient. Yes, you are now the James Bond of texting. Go wild.

8 Superhero supermovie. Awesome superhero fun, as Warner Bros. studio announced plans to make a Justice League movie. Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, Aquaman, Flash and Green Lantern together in one movie? My goodness, I'm in superhero heaven.

9 RoFo back on the crack? Twitter blew up after Ford was caught on tape again allegedly smoking crack cocaine. He has announced a leave of absence to get treatment for his addiction. May this be his rock bottom, so he finally gets the real help he needs.

ZOOM

He's got a need for Speed

Helped by a Kickstarter campaign, Ryan Beitz, in addition to trying to get his hands on every VHS copy of Speed known to humankind, is also aiming to transform an old van into a replica of the original bomb-rigged bus. CONTRIBUTED

Q&A

Man tries to collect every VHS copy of '90s classic

Twenty-six-year-old Ryan Beitz is a collector of sorts: He aims to own every VHS copy of the 1994 classic Speed. So stirring is Beitz's pointless task that it compelled the movie's screenwriter Graham Yost to use these touching words: "Other than world peace and ending hunger, I can think of no greater cause than what this one brave and visionary man has embarked upon." The great feat doesn't end there, though. Metro chats to the zany collector about The World Speed Project:

Obviously what you're doing is a waste of time, so why are you so committed? There's no real good reason for it. I'm dedicated only because it's totally pointless and stupid. I'm totally dedicated to the uselessness if it.

Does it annoy you that people are trying to sabotage your goal by holding onto copies? People can try to thwart me but they are going to die and then I'll have my copy.

Any words for the haters? I would say to them keep doing it because whether you love or hate the World Speed Project but especially if you hate it, you're a part of it.

Do you play each copy to check it works? No, definitely not, but I did at first. Actually it paid off this one time because there was a copy of the Flintstones that was in a Speed case with the Speed label. But I figured that one out and I'll find that other copy.

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May every traffic delay be this cute

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Among the things that add tedium to the absurd commuting times in some of our larger cities is that they tend to be caused by similar snafus. A blown tire. A fender bender. Every now and again an overturned truck of marbles or bees will spice things up a bit.

What we never get is a gang of adorable lion cubs and their watchful lionesses waking up after a long snooze on a stretch of sun-heated asphalt. For that kind of delay, you're going to need your daily commute to take you through South Africa's Kruger National Park, which we assume is named after the claws of those who live there. (Via Barcroft TV)

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Spinning the same old story

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

The Amazing Spider-Man 2 is a rehash of the origin story. CONTRIBUTED

Synopsis

Fresh out of high school, Peter Parker (Andrew Garfield) is being pulled in two different directions. He loves Gwen Stacy (Emma Stone) but is troubled by a promise he made to her late father (Dennis Leary) that he would never let anything bad happen to her. Meanwhile, Peter's old friend Harry Osborn (Dane De Haan), heir to the Oscorp fortune, is battling a hereditary disease he thinks can be cured with a dose of Spider-Man's blood and Max Dillon (Jamie Foxx), a low level Oscorp electrical engineer, has an accident that rewires him into Electro, a villain with the power to control electricity.

- Richard: ●●●○○
- Mark: ●●○○○

The Amazing Spider-Man 2.

Franchise needs a more exciting story to keep the Reel Guys caught in its web

Richard: Mark, at two-and-a-half hours, the new Spider-Man movie is almost equal parts action and story.

The first 15 minutes contains not one, but *two* wild action sequences that'll make your eyeballs dance.

If you haven't had your fill of special effects for the week, your thirst will be quenched early on.

Then the onslaught of story begins.

Jammed packed with plot, bad guys and lots and lots of moony-eyed love, it's the busiest superhero movie in recent memory.

Did you get caught up in the film's web?

Mark: No, Richard, the movie got caught in its own web. Too much of the film is like the last one, which was very good, but do we need to rehash the origin story yet again?

The action sequences are good, and they'd better be, because the plot and characters are feeling kind of tired by now.

Not that there aren't good things in the movie.

I liked Jamie Foxx's villain, who was sadly sympathetic in a Frankenstein kind of way. And Dane DeHaan, as tortured Oscorp heir Harry Osborn, has the best scenes in the picture, with an otherworldly look that reminded me of a British fascist circa 1936 or Tilda Swinton's illegitimate son; I'm not sure which.

RC: I thought he kind of looks like the Evil Annoying Orange with a better haircut. To each his own.

He does have some of the best scenes in the film, and this is a movie with several well-crafted dramatic moments.

Too bad most of them feel like they're lifted from another movie and dropped into this one as placeholders for the action sequences.

Peter Parker is shedding tears over his love life one minute, swinging on webby vines through the streets the next.

Both tones are well executed, but they often feel forced together.

MB: The movie seems more like a pastiche than a sequel.

Sally Field, bless her Norma Rae heart, invests her part with the intensity of a Eugene O'Neill play.

Jamie Foxx makes a sympathetic villain in the Frankenstein mode even though he's made up like a rogue member of Blue Man Group. But Richard, why is Spidey so cocky this go round? His awkwardness is usually part of his charm.

RC: That's more from the comic books.

The Sam Raimi Spider-Man movies didn't use Spidey's sarcasm, but on the pages of the comics he wasn't shy to let loose with some trash talking.

MB: The movie is watchable and intermittently entertaining, but the franchise really needs to invigorate itself to keep me caught in its web.

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Drama

The Face of Love

Director. Arie Posen

Stars. Annette Bening, Ed Harris

The Face of Love is the story of a widow named Nikki (Annette Bening) who, several years after the loss of her husband Garrett, meets a man named Tom (Ed Harris) who looks exactly like her deceased husband. Suddenly, a flood of old feelings rush back to her: she's met the love of her life. Again. The film is a romantic story filled with humour, surprise, and reflections on the mystery of love surrounding us.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 43% **Audience:** 53%

Filmmakers sour on sugar industry

Fed Up. New documentary compares processed food business to the tobacco industry

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Fed Up opens next Friday in Toronto. CONTRIBUTED

The women behind the documentary Fed Up really hope to do for the food movement what An Inconvenient Truth did for climate change. And they may just achieve it.

"This is the whole plan of Fed Up," said Oscar-winning producer Laurie David, who, not so coincidentally, also produced An Inconvenient Truth.

"There are solutions that you can take as an individual. (We don't need) governments to start talking (about eating healthy). The fridge is right in your kitchen."

A comprehensive and provocative look at the stirring reasons behind America's obesity crisis, Fed Up targets the misinformation being spooned out by the food industry (most notably the sugar producers) and how our children are doomed with diabetes and shorter lifespans because of it.

In fact, the rise against processed foods truly echoes the movement against cigarettes from decades ago.

"That's the underlying premise of the film — put real information in front of people so that all of us as citizens have perspective not shaped by the food industry," said co-producer Heather Reisman, comparing the one-time positive spin of smoking by cigarette marketers.

"Like all businesses, (a food company's) job is to keep growing, keep getting bigger and to do that they're trying to get people addicted to what they're doing."

While the Katie Couric-narrated documentary uncovers heartbreaking true-life struggles and debunks the myths about diet and exercise fads, what the filmmakers truly hope Fed Up does is initiate personal action as well as create a stigma against celebrities selling sugar to kids.

"If soda is the tobacco of our generation then Beyoncé is the Marlboro Man," said director Stephanie Soechtig of the celebrity cola spokesperson.

"We need to have that same shame attached to it because she is endorsing a product that is killing kids."

Under the Skin. Director reveals the abstract of consciousness

There's a striking sequence in director Jonathan Glazer's 2004 psychodrama Birth in which his camera holds tight on the porcelain visage of actress Nicole Kidman. As opera swells on the soundtrack, we continue to hold while observing her run the gamut of emotion, climaxing with a shot of a single crystal tear streaking her cheek…

It's a moment of poetry, wordless and beautiful and its ominous grace is amplified throughout every minute of Glazer's latest film, Under the Skin. The movie stars Scarlett Johansson as a humanoid alien vampire, driving through the streets of Edinburgh hunting for viral men whom she seduces and harvests as food for her planet. Or something. The picture is sparse on dialogue and narrative clarity and that's exactly what makes it such a profound — and disturbing — cinematic experience.

"I think of it as an experimental film," Glazer says.

"There is no mastermind approach towards daring the audience. It's more just the nature of this particular story that is challenging. What is challenging, I think, is once you commit to her experience, you're looking at it through her lens and in doing so, the film has to be told in the same perspective. So I think it's demanding, but it's like anything: If you're open to it, then hopefully you'll enjoy the ride. If you're not, then you won't."

Scarlett Johansson. CONTRIBUTED

Under The Skin is nothing if not divisive. Impossible to market (Is it a science fiction piece? A horror film? Existential drama?), the film is an absolutely singular experience and aside from Glazer's dedication to the abstract, it's Johansson's remarkable, uninhibited turn (she is often unclothed) as the outsider adrift in a world she/it does not understand that makes it so compelling.

"That really is just about casting," says the filmmaker.

"It's about looking out there and seeing who the right person for the character is and for Birth it was Nicole and for this one, it was Scarlett. She went into it with her eyes open and she understood that she was dealing with a character that had a bravery that needed to be matched by hers as an actress. You can't pull back from that. If you pull back from that then you're pulling back from the telling of the story."

Reminiscent of heady '70s films like Nicolas Roeg's The Man Who Fell From Earth, Under the Skin is a subjective experience. Because it never overplays its hand or offers much in the way of exposition, each viewer will react to it differently. Such was its creator's intent. "I think its intention is to talk to the viewer at a level of consciousness. We bypass the intellect when we listen to music or when we look at a painting. I think film is a fantastic medium to be able to do the same. In how it's trying to represent something kind of unimaginable — this infinite and alien entity — it's not something for words, really. It shouldn't be explained away. Our intention was to protect its alienness, to remain inscrutable from beginning to end."

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The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG) No Passes Fri 6:30-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 11:45-3:05-6:30-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 7:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1:30
The Amazing Spider-Man 2 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Mon-Tue 5:20-8:40 No Passes Wed 1:30-5:20-8:40 No Passes Thu 5:20-8:40
Bears (G) Fri 5:45-8 Sat-Sun 1:15-3:30-5:45-8 Mon-Thu 6:15 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1:30
Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG) Fri 4 Sat-Sun 12:50-4 Wed 2:15
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Rio 2 3D (G) Fri 4:55-7:20-9:55 Sat-Sun 2:25-4:55-7:20-9:55 Mon 7:20-9:55 Tue 4:55-7:20-9:55 Wed 7:20-9:55 Thu 7:20
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Trailer Park Boys: Don't Legalize It (STC) Fri 5:50-8:10-10:30 Sat-Sun 1:05-3:25-5:50-8:10-10:30 Mon 8:05-10:25 Tue 5:45-8:05-10:25 Wed-Thu 8:05-10:25
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Geldof's death linked to use of heroin: Police

Heroin likely played a role in the death of British model and television personality Peaches Geldof, authorities said Thursday.

Detective Chief Inspector Paul Fotheringham of the Kent and Essex Serious Crime Directorate told an inquest into the death of the second daughter of Live Aid organizer Bob Geldof that a post-mortem examination was inconclusive, prompting further tests. In a brief hearing, Fotheringham said the results on the 25-year-old confirmed the presence of the drug.

"There was recent use of heroin and the levels identified were likely to have played a role in her death," he said.

Geldof's husband, Thomas Cohen, found her on April 7 after returning home from a visit to his parents.

"Thomas entered the property and went upstairs thinking that Peaches may have been sleeping." Fotheringham said. "Thomas then located Peaches in a spare bedroom and it was obvious to him that she was deceased.

"She was located on the edge of a bed with one leg hanging down to the floor with the other leg tucked underneath her; she was slumped forward across the bed."

Fotheringham said that even though Geldof had spent much of that weekend alone, she had been in contact with friends and family.

"All of the friends and family who had contact with Peaches during this period describe how she seemed her normal self and was making plans for the future, including booking a family outing for her sons the following weekend," Fotheringham said. "There was no cause for any concern."

The story offers a sad echo of the death of Geldof's mother, television presenter Paula Yates, who died of a drug overdose in 2000 when her daughter was 11.

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For Courtney's dad, Cobain case isn't closed

While authorities recently re-examined the 20-year-old death of Kurt Cobain and determined it was in fact a suicide, at least one person is still alleging that Cobain's wife, Courtney Love, had something to do with it — and that person is Love's estranged father, Hank Harrison. "No doubt she was capable," Harrison reportedly tells Radar Online. "I can't prove she pulled the trigger, but I can prove her involvement to a high degree of certainty." Harrison cites a recently published note penned by Cobain just before his death that refers to Love's "doping and whoring" as particularly damning for the Hole singer.

Courtney Love

"If you read the true meaning of this small note, and place it in conjunction with the rest of the evidence, anyone with even half a wit will see that something dire and awful took place," Harrison said to the website. METRO WORLD NEWS

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The Word

James claims LiLo broke into his hotel room at 3 a.m.

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

Remember Lindsay Lohan's bang list? Maybe it wasn't so much a list of guys she had slept with as it was a list of guys who'd read her bedtime stories after she followed them around for a while. That's what James Franco claims happened to him.

Franco never actually slept with LiLo — they just made out a little, he told Howard Stern (via Gawker). "We were at this hotel during a very dark period of her history," he says.

"It seemed pretty damn clear that she liked me. I'd come home late to the hotel and she'd come find me. I knew which room she was in and I'd see through the window, like, 'Oh, there's another party at Lindsay's,' and she would come out to the pool area and find me.

"She even broke into my room one time because she was so at home there, I guess they just gave her the key. And so 3 in the morning I was on the couch, and I open my eyes and there's Lindsay in my room at 3 a.m. and it's like, 'OK, what do I do now?' I read her a story. I was in school, so I was like, 'All right, maybe I'll get a little homework done so I'll read her a story.'"

Franco may be the first famous gentleman to go on Howard Stern to brag about not sleeping with a beautiful woman.

Robin Thicke and Paula Patton

Blurred lines in three-way relationship cause of Thicke/Patton split

New details are emerging about what caused the split between Robin Thicke and Paula Patton, and signs point to another woman — a masseuse identified by Star magazine as "Jasmine" with whom Thicke and Patton had allegedly been carrying on a three-way relationship, sources claim. Things apparently went sour when Patton found out that Thicke was spending time with Jasmine on his own. "Paula felt betrayed and humiliated by both Robin and Jasmine," the source says. "These were two people she thought she could trust the most, but in the end everything backfired on her. Robin pushed Paula to allow Jasmine into the bedroom with them in order to spice up their sex life, and she reluctantly agreed in an attempt to keep him happy." But apparently that agreement didn't last, as the source says Patton soon banned Jasmine from their bedroom, a development her husband apparently didn't follow through on. Thicke's reps, for their part, deny the reports. METRO WORLD NEWS

Fight with homeless man was 'terrifying,' says Efron

Zac Efron is finally clearing the air about his mysterious scuffle with a homeless man near L.A.'s Skid Row last month. "The car ran out of gas off the 110. It was ridiculous. We had to pull over, and I called (car service) Uber," Efron explains to the Hollywood Reporter. "A homeless guy, or vagrant, tapped on the driver's side window. Before I knew it, (my friend) was out of the car, and they started fighting. I saw that (the homeless man) was carrying some sort of a knife, or shank, and I got out of the car to disarm him.

Zac Efron

At some point, he dropped the knife, and I got hit pretty hard in the face — and almost instantly the police were there to break up the fight. (It was) the most terrifying moment in my life." METRO WORLD NEWS

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Liquid Assets

The catch of the day

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While at a friend's wedding in New Brunswick last weekend, I found my roots in a bowl of homemade seafood chowder.

Growing up in Nova Scotia, a recipe of potatoes and just about anything from the ocean was more than a touristy treat in my house, its creation was a family tradition.

There were at least six different versions, from three generations, served at our gatherings. What they all had in common was a creamy consistency, which always caused trouble when it came to a wine match.

I'm in the white camp when it comes to chowder.

No matter the recipe, the outcome is all about subtle flavours. The dark berry weight and forward tannins found in most glasses of red wine doesn't do the marriage (in your mouth) any favours.

Whites like those made from pinot grigio, unoaked chardonnay and sauvignon blanc work best. Chile's 2012 Santa Rita Reserva Sauvignon Blanc ($13.95 - $14.99) is fresh and tropical, with zesty citrus fruit and acidity that makes it a perfect partner with any chowder's cream and fish schtick. **PRICES REFLECT RANGE ACROSS COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**

Sometimes, weekend dinners call for something light. Annabel Langbein, who brings good food into today's fast-paced world, shows us an Asian-inspired dish that only takes 10 minutes to prep and five minutes to cook from her cookbook The Free Range Cook

Oodles of yum: Green Bean and Peanut Noodle Salad

This recipe serves six. ANNABEL LANGBEIN

THE FREE RANGE COOK
Annabel Langbein
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1. Cut the beans in half and boil them in salted water for 3 minutes. Refresh in cold water to retain their crunch and bright green colour.

Ingredients

- 6 handfuls (300 g) green beans, stalk ends trimmed
- 250 g rice stick noodles
- 1/2 cup roasted peanuts, roughly chopped
- 3 tbsp roughly chopped coriander
- 1 tbsp sesame seeds, toasted
- 2 cups bean sprouts

Dressing

- 1 tbsp sesame oil
- 2 tbsp grapeseed oil
- 2 tsp fish sauce
- 1/2 tsp salt
- ground black pepper

To serve

- lime wedges

2. Drop the rice noodles into a large pot of boiling water. Remove the pot from the heat immediately and allow to stand and cool for 10 minutes or longer. Drain the noodles then rinse in cold water.

3. Put the beans and cooked, drained noodles in a large serving bowl with the roasted peanuts, coriander, sesame seeds and bean sprouts.

4. Make the dressing by pouring sesame oil, grapeseed oil and fish sauce in a jar and shaking. Toss the dressing through the noodles and season to taste with salt and pepper.

5. Serve as a salad at room temperature or toss in a hot pan for 2-3 minutes for a stir fry side dish to serve with meats. Garnish with lime wedges to serve. **WATCH THE ANNABEL LANGBEIN FREE RANGE COOK MONDAY TO THURSDAY AT 5:30 P.M. EST, STARTING APRIL 28 ON GUSTO TV, CANADA'S NEW FOOD & LIFESTYLE CHANNEL. VISIT GUSTOTV.COM FOR FULL PROGRAM LINEUP AND MORE GREAT RECIPE IDEAS.**

Condiment

Chili Lime Salt

- 1 large fresh red chili
- 1/2 cup flaky sea salt
- finely grated zest of 2 limes

Remove seeds from chili and slice flesh into tiny pieces.

Mix with the sea salt and lime zest in a mortar and pestle or food processor and pound or blitz to form a fine crumb.

If you want to store the salt for later use, dry it out in the oven at 150 C for 30 minutes.

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Makes 2 cups. ANNABEL LANGBEIN

Condiment. Chili Jam

Ingredients

- 1 head garlic, cloves peeled
- 6-8 long red chili peppers, roughly chopped
- 3 thumb-sized pieces (200 g) fresh ginger, peeled and roughly chopped
- 2 double kaffir lime leaves, deveined (optional)
- 2 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- finely grated zest of 4 limes
- 1/2 cup rice vinegar
- 3 tbsp fish sauce
- 1 tsp soy sauce

1. Sterilize a 2-cup screw-top jar and its metal lid.

2. Purée the garlic, chili peppers, ginger and kaffir lime leaves, if using, to coarse paste. Place in a saucepan with the sugar, water, lime zest, rice vinegar, fish sauce and soy sauce.

3. Stir over a medium heat until the sugar dissolves, then boil for about 10 minutes until reduced by a third. It will bubble up like jam.

4. Spoon hot chili jam into the warm sterilized jar until it is filled to within 3 mm of top. Seal with screw lid. Once opened, store Jam in fridge.

This recipe makes one cup of Chili Jam. ANNABEL LANGBEIN

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Ducks, Kings primed for first playoff battle of L.A.

NHL. Rivals separated by 30 miles to square off for the first time in post-season Saturday

Southern California is in hockey heaven.

The Los Angeles Kings and the Anaheim Ducks will meet in the second round of the NHL playoffs this weekend, taking their Freeway Faceoff rivalry into the post-season for the first time.

"People have been waiting a long time for this," said Ducks forward Emerson Etem, who grew up rooting for the Kings in his native Long Beach. "It's huge for the game down here."

And it's huge for the Los Angeles sports scene, which has never experienced a matchup quite like the series that begins in Orange County on Saturday night.

The Lakers and the Clippers have never met in the NBA post-season. The Dodgers and the Angels have never reached the World Series together. The Rams and the Raiders never faced off in the NFL playoffs when they both called Southern California home nearly two decades ago.

But in their 20th season of head-to-head competition for the hearts of the Southland's hockey fans, the Kings and Ducks are squaring off for a trip to the Western Conference finals.

"We've been waiting for this to happen for a long time, and now it's finally here," Kings centre Jarret Stoll said.

With their rinks just 30 miles apart on the I-5 freeway, the Kings and Ducks have been geographical rivals ever since Anaheim entered the NHL as a Disney-backed expansion franchise in 1993.

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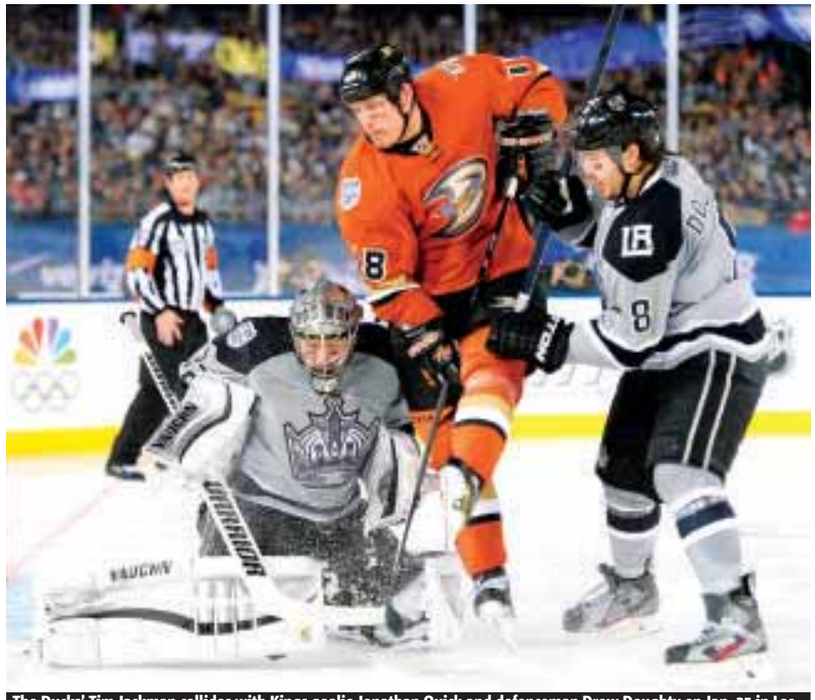
"You have to play a team in the playoffs to get a rivalry going. The distance makes it a good rivalry already, but this is going to be even better."

Kings defenceman Matt Greene



The Ducks' Tim Jackman collides with Kings goalie Jonathan Quick and defenceman Drew Doughty on Jan. 25 in Los Angeles. HARRY HOW/GETTY IMAGES

MVP

Crosby, Getzlaf, Giroux finalists for Hart Trophy

Sidney Crosby of the Pittsburgh Penguins, Ryan Getzlaf of the Anaheim Ducks and Claude Giroux of the Philadelphia Flyers are the three finalists for the Hart Memorial Trophy.

The NHL awards the trophy annually "to the player adjudged to be the most valuable to his team." It essentially serves as the league's MVP award.

The award is voted on by members of the Professional Hockey Writers' Association. The winner will be announced June 24 during the 2014 NHL Awards in Las Vegas. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Coaching vacancy

Canucks fire Tortorella

It took longer than expected, but John Tortorella has become the latest casualty of the Vancouver Canucks' disappointing season.

In his first major action with the team, new Canucks president Trevor Linden announced Thursday that Tortorella and assistant coach Mike Sullivan have been relieved of their duties.

They join fired president and general manager Mike Gillis as those paying the price for a dismal year that saw the Canucks miss the NHL playoffs for the first time since 2008.

Tortorella has four years remaining on a contact which is estimated at $2 million US a season.

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4 SPORTS

Kings of pong gather 'round the table in Tokyo

China's Xu Xin plays against Zolt Pete of Serbia during their round-robin match at the world team table tennis championships on Tuesday in Tokyo. Scan the above image with your Metro News app to view a gallery of the best table tennis photos from Thursday. KOJI SASAHARA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLB

Jays avoid sweep in Kansas City

Mark Buehrle pitched into the seventh inning, Juan Francisco and Colby Rasmus each went deep and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Kansas City Royals 7-3 Thursday night to avoid a series sweep.

Francisco and Rasmus each drove in a pair of runs for Toronto, as did Anthony Gose, who was recalled from Triple-A Buffalo to start in place of injured outfielder Melky Cabrera.

Buehrle (5-1) worked through plenty of trouble to last 6 2/3 innings, allowing two earned runs on seven hits and a pair of walks. It was a solid bounce-back performance after the left-hander was hammered for seven runs last Friday night against Boston.

Aaron Loup pitched 2 1/3 shutout innings for his third career save.

The Royals' Jeremy Guthrie (2-2) left trailing 4-3 after six innings, but his bullpen was unable to keep it close as their three-game win streak came to an end.

Billy Butler drove in a pair of runs for Kansas City, which still hasn't swept the Blue Jays in a series of at least three games since July 1993. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Durant returns to his reliable best

NBA playoffs. After win in hostile Memphis, Thunder can complete comeback at home

Kevin Durant scored 36 points to break out of a slump, and the Oklahoma City Thunder routed the Memphis Grizzlies 104-84 on Thursday night to force a deciding seventh game in the first-round Western Conference series.

Russell Westbrook added 25 points for the Thunder, who haven't been eliminated in the first round of the playoffs since 2010. They took control early with Durant scoring 14 points in the first quarter, led by 15 at halftime and never let Memphis get closer in the second half in the first game in the series ended in regulation since the opener.

Durant also had 10 rebounds and made 14 of 15 free throws. Reggie Jackson had 16 points off the bench for the Thunder.

Game 7 is Saturday night in Oklahoma City.

Marc Gasol had 17 points and Zach Randolph 16 for Memphis. Guard Mike Conley strained his right hamstring, briefly returned and left for good with 8:48 left.

Conley went down in the third quarter near midcourt dribbling when Kendrick Perkins reached in for a steal. The Memphis guard returned briefly, but Conley was limping noticeably. With the Thunder in control, Conley went to the locker-room again and didn't return. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thunder forward Kevin Durant shoots against Grizzlies centre Marc Gasol on Thursday night in Memphis, Tenn. MARK HUMPHREY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Game 6

104	84
Thunder	Grizzlies

Pacers 95, Hawks 88

David West led Indiana on a 16-4 run to end the game, extending the season for the top-seeded Pacers with a victory over the Atlanta Hawks on Thursday night.

- Trailing 3-2 after losing at home for the second time in the Eastern Conference series, Indiana was poised for an early summer when the Hawks pushed out to an 84-79 lead with just over 3 minutes remaining, cheered on by a raucous crowd. But, for the fourth time in this back-and-forth affair, the road team won.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
There will be many claims on your time and energy today, so be selective in what you agree to do or you may exhaust yourself. You know that it's better to do one job really well than ten jobs poorly.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You may be tempted take a break and you have earned that right but the planets urge you to keep going. Make the most of your energy surge while you can — you know how quickly things can change.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
What you do for others now will come back to you many times over a few weeks hence when the Sun moves in your favour again. You don't have to sacrifice much — just put others' needs first occasionally.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
It seems you have been taking one friendship for granted and if you let the situation carry on this way you may drift too far apart to ever get back together again. Give them a call.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Give your physical, mental and emotional batteries a chance to recharge. The good news is you have already made a big impression on someone in a position of power.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You may be practical but you are allowed to dream too and one dream is close to coming true. Go all out today and over the weekend to push past any remaining obstructions.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You may have to wait a few weeks before you get the chance to put your big idea into effect. The more time you give it to percolate through your brain, the more likely it is to be an outstanding success.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Others may be obstructive today but you don't have to make an issue of it. Treat it as an opportunity to show how patient and relaxed you can be.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You will be annoyed if something holds you back today but later you will thank your lucky stars that you were forced to stay where you are. If fate conspires to keep you from something there is a reason.

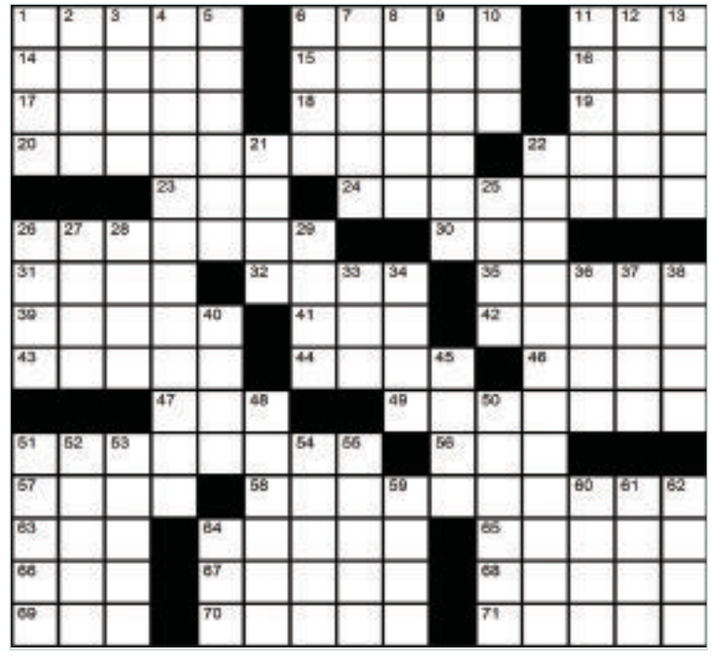
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Take difficulties in stride and find ways to get something constructive from them. The Sun in Taurus at this time of year has a hugely positive effect on your outlook on life.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
The good news is you seem to be handling challenges well and the even better news is it won't be long before you are rewarded. Everything evens out in the end, so believe that the good times will return.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You may be tempted to muddle through a problem and hope it all comes right in the end, and maybe it will. But wouldn't it be easier if you called on the help of an expert? Not even a Pisces can do it all. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. Actor Jason
6. Move
11. 'Bad'-meaning prefix
14. Sluggish
15. Throw for _ __
16. __ Aduba, "Orange Is the New Black" actress
17. Bellowing
18. Grouches
19. Stubby pencil
20. NFLD: Historic site for Cabot Tower overlooking St. John's: 2 wds.
22. Enthusiasm
23. God: Italian
24. Environmental conditions
26. Jamie Foxx's role in #9-Down
30. Negatives
31. Ripped
32. __ Shmenge (John Candy "SCTV" character)
35. Beach
39. Movie-makers Joel and Ethan
41. "Wellll...?"
42. Leg bone
43. Actor Will
44. Pourboires
46. Petroleums
47. Cup circle
49. Scarcely
51. General __ Canada (Defence contractor)
56. "_ _ _" (1989) starring 'Weird Al' Yankovic
57. Mr. Julia
58. Manicure product: 2 wds.
63. Year: Spanish
64. Montreal: Saint Brother __ (A bit of his heart remains in Saint Joseph's Oratory)
65. Lothario
66. __. Engr.
67. Bull's 'stabs'
68. Extra
69. Wood sorrel
70. 1936 Berlin Olympics legend Jesse
71. 'Poly' follower

Down
1. Partiality
2. Crucifix inscription
3. Cartography subj.
4. Warren and Wetmore, Winnipeg's Union Station architectural firm, also designed New York's __ __ Terminal
5. __ of Belle Isle
6. Johann Sebastian __
7. Municipality in Quebec's Gaspe Peninsula, Saint-__
8. "I'm going to __ __ that I can to..."
9. "The Amazing Spider-Man 2" (2014) character, Green __
10. Retro albums, e.g.
11. Nova Scotia's motto: __ Haec Et Altera Vincit (One defends and the other conquers)
12. Blue hue
13. Earrings spots
21. Parrot type
22. 'Worst dressed' list highlights: 2 wds.
25. Majority
26. Abbr. list-enders
27. Hang over
28. "Able was I __ _ saw Elba." (Palindrome)
29. Jacob van __ the Elder (Flemish painter)
33. "__ _ gather that..."
34. Bunny jumps
36. Sad bio
37. Streamlet
38. __-going
40. Wedge
45. Atlantic 'porgy' fish
48. "Gilligan's Island" boat, S.S. __
50. "You can lead _ __ to water..."
51. __ Malfoy, from 'Harry Potter'
52. "Cityline" guest expert Mr. Simard (Designer)
53. La Vita __ (Dante prose)
54. Close-knit unit
55. Emergency sound
59. Discounted
60. "__ __ my wit's end!"
61. Dry
62. Tiller
64. Past

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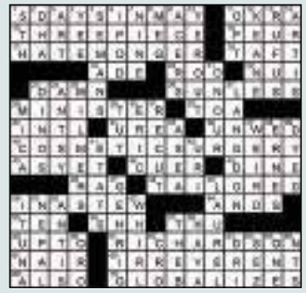

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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	4		5			3		1
	6		3		1		8	
		7		5	9	6		
8	5						2	4
		1	6	2		8		
	8		2		7		3	
2		5			6		7	
		9			5	2		8

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	2	3	5	6	4	8	7	9
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9	7	8	2	1	3	5	4	6
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2	6	4	1	3	9	7	8	5
8	1	9	4	7	5	3	6	2
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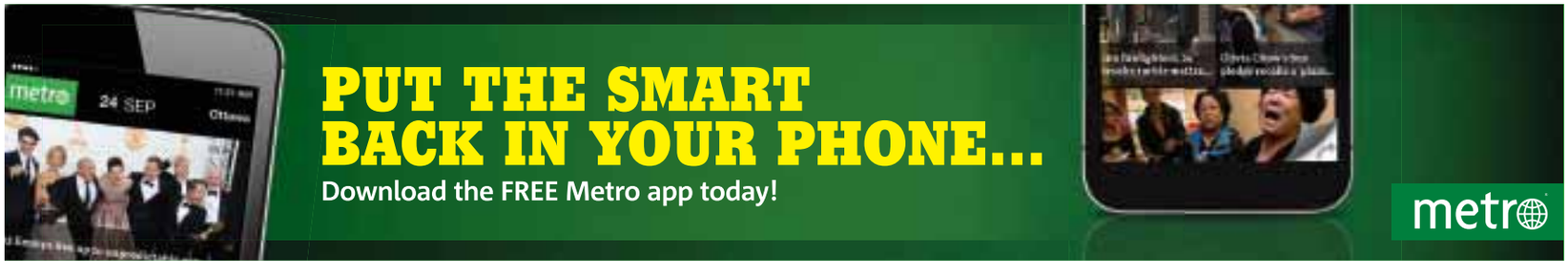

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